

April / May '63

SUBJECT: References to KLIMOV etc.

FELFE's letters to the KGB:

1st one uncovered dated 22 Sept 62:

8. "From the interrogation by the Americans it emerges that Prof MICHAELIS is under suspicion as well as 1 or 2 other source s in Headquarters and one in Bremen. The information stems from a defector who also provided info leading to Kurt's (FELFE crypt with KGB) arrest."

2nd letter dated 24 Sept 62:

Same as above except notes defector "vermutlich KLIMOV-HELSINKI"

Extracts from American interrogation of FELFE:

17 April : ( [ ] and [ ] present)

para 43. (They are discussing the use of the Soviet resident in West Germany)"...ALFRED gave assurances that this would work. At the same meeting Alfred gave Subject (Felfe) a letter drop in Helsinki ( a fact which has been confirmed by a Soviet defector.)"

18 April :

They covered Felfe's RSHA days and specifically questions on the Dulles forgeries etc. following questions submitted by [ ] of CI staff. Here probably came the material for Felfe's charges during the first day of his trial.

25 April [ ] alone)

para 115: " Subject (Felfe) said he did not know Baierle's function in Paris at the time of Alfred's query, but found out later (Note: Interrogator did not and does not know the nature of Baierle's Paris activities. The Special Intelligence Committee was mentioned in this connection because of recent defector info to the effect that the Sovs received Special Committee reports from a German agent since 1958)" SBE comment: The defector in question here was Ladle.

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27 April [ ] and [ ] present)

para 145: They are discussing the Defection I<sup>N</sup>ducement Paper. "Aside from those studies which were now shown to him there was another one, namely one entitled Defection Inducement which had been passed to him in 1956, and which we not only knew had been passed to him but which also had turned up in the hands of various Satellite services. We knew this through a defector and know also that the Satellite service in question had received their copy of this report from the KGB. SBE Comment: Defector in question here is [ ]

para 149: They are talking about the audio ops in West Germany.

"The interrogator then quoted a report we had recently received from our latest Soviet defector to the effect that he had once learned from KOROTKOV's office in Karlshorst that the KGB had excellent success in getting information on BND attempts to monitor Soviet installations in Germany..."

para 150 "...Concerning the information we quoted from our defector, he (FELFE) requested us to repeat this to him, giving the date of information and the exact wording of it, which we did, at which point he stated that the date in question, 1959-1960, was a time at which he had barely gotten into the INDEX business, for which the KOROTKOV statement could simply not refer to himself."

SBE Comment: This was the same day that Prof MICHAELIS was mentioned in the interrogations and the following day the problem of the "second source." Obviously, both days made an impression on Felfe since the confiscated letters pay particular attention to these points. AELADLE was the source of the above info on the audio ops and he received it from Vladimir KOROTKOV who he described as the KGB officer in Moscow ~~was~~ on the desk responsible for the Felfe/Clemens penetration operation - not from the Brln residentura chief, General Korotkov. He undoubtedly got a letter out to the KGB, which we didn't receive, mentioning the KOROTKOV angle, and they may well then have informed him who it was.

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paras 232 and 234 using another case AELADLE reported. They buried the suspected agent's name however in a list of several. The comment is made in the report that the case came from a recent Soviet defector, but Felfe was not told this.